



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 222

LCO No. 1477

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Referred to Committee on Planning and Development

Introduced by:
(PD)

AN ACT CONCERNING DELINQUENT MOTOR VEHICLE PROPERTY TAXES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 14-33 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2006*):

4 (e) On and after July 1, 2004, each city and town shall make an
5 annual payment to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, in an amount
6 determined by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,
7 in order to participate in the program administered by the Department
8 of Motor Vehicles pursuant to subsection (a) of this section. Such
9 amount shall be each city or town's proportionate cost of the
10 administration of said program, to be determined as follows: The
11 number obtained by multiplying said program's administrative cost by
12 a fraction the numerator of which shall be the city or town's population
13 and the denominator of which shall be the population of the state. As
14 used in this section, "population" means the number of persons in the
15 city or town according to the most recent estimate made, pursuant to
16 section 19a-2a, by the Department of Public Health. The commissioner

17 shall, on or before [July] January fifteenth, annually, certify to said
 18 secretary the commissioner's cost to administer said program for the
 19 next fiscal year. The secretary shall, on or before [August] March first,
 20 annually, notify the chief executive officer of each city and town of the
 21 amount such city or town is required to pay to the commissioner and
 22 such amount shall be payable not later than [September] August first
 23 following said notification date. All amounts received by the
 24 commissioner pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited into the
 25 General Fund. If a city or town fails to annually pay its proportionate
 26 share of said program's administrative cost, the commissioner shall not
 27 be required to deny the issuance of a registration, pursuant to
 28 subsection (a) of this section, to the person against whom such tax has
 29 been assessed by said city or town, or by a borough or other taxing
 30 district located therein.

31 Sec. 2. Section 14-33a of the general statutes is repealed and the
 32 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2006*):

33 When a taxpayer who was reported to the Commissioner of Motor
 34 Vehicles as delinquent in taxes by a tax collector in accordance with
 35 section 14-33 is no longer delinquent, the tax collector shall
 36 immediately notify the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, on forms
 37 prescribed and furnished by him, specifying the name, address and
 38 registration number to be removed from the motor vehicle delinquent
 39 tax list. The tax collector shall receive from a taxpayer a fee of one
 40 dollar for each motor vehicle that the tax collector included on a
 41 delinquent tax list reported to said commissioner. Said fee shall be in
 42 addition to the amount of the delinquent tax together with interest that
 43 has accrued as of the date of payment. A municipality shall use the
 44 revenue from such fees to pay the amount required under subsection
 45 (e) of section 14-33, as amended by this act, to said commissioner.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2006</i>	14-33(e)
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Sec. 2	July 1, 2006	14-33a
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Statement of Purpose:

To change the date by which towns are notified of the amounts they are required to pay the Department of Motor Vehicles in order to participate in that department's motor vehicle property tax delinquency enforcement program and to allow tax collectors to charge a fee of one dollar for each of a taxpayer's motor vehicles that a tax collector reports as delinquent in property tax payments to the department, and for which a notice of release is issued concerning the payment of a delinquent tax.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]